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## **CHP and Caltrans Annual Litter Enforcement Day**

Vallejo, CA – The California Highway Patrol and Caltrans are teaming up to increase awareness of litter clean-up and enforcement efforts on Thursday, April 23, 2015. Our joint effort is one of many events taking place throughout the state in celebration of Earth Day 2015.

CHP Commercial Mobile Road Enforcement Officers will be cracking down on litter violations and vehicles traveling with unsecured loads. Debris on the roadway from vehicles increases congestion, causes collisions, and wastes money! The CHP wants all motorists to ensure that their loads are secure, and that vehicles aren't leaving debris behind on California's roadways.

Caltrans maintenance crews will be at various locations throughout the Bay Area cleaning litter alongside the highways. Last year, Caltrans picked up nearly 3000 cubic yards of litter during the Earth Day 2014 clean-up event.

CHP and Caltrans will be available for interviews and ride-alongs, and will stage at SR-238 underneath I-580 in Castro Valley, where trash collected from all over the Bay Area will be piled up as a photo opportunity highlighting the litter problems on California's freeways.

**WHO:** California Highway Patrol and Caltrans

**WHAT:** Joint Litter Clean-Up and Enforcement Day  
Interviews and Ride-Along Opportunities

**WHERE:** SR-238 underneath I-580, Castro Valley CA

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 23, 2015 – 10:00 AM – 11:00 AM

**VISUALS:** Litter and debris collected from across the Bay Area has been stacked as an illustration of the litter problem on Bay Area roadways.

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**Caltrans Clean-Up Locations:**

<b>Alameda County:</b>	SR-77/I-238/I-880 Homeless Encampment Removal and Cleanup San Francisco Bay Bridge / Approaches in Oakland/Emeryville
<b>Contra Costa County:</b>	I-680 NB from North Main Street (Walnut Creek) to the Benicia Bridge
<b>San Francisco County:</b>	San Francisco Bay Bridge / Approaches in San Francisco
<b>San Mateo County:</b>	Devil's Slide Tunnels / Bridge / Ramp – Litter/Graffiti Removal

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